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In re Application:

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Serial No.: 10/613,701

Examiner: H. Wachsman

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Group Art Unit: 2857

For: APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR
PROTECTION, CONTROL, AND
MANAGEMENT OF ELECTRICITY
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS USING
TIME SYNCHRONIZATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the present application, please amend the above
identified application as follows:

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REMARKS

This preliminary amendment adds no new matter to this application and is supported by the specification. Further, this amendment has been made for reasons unrelated to patentability.

- 5 The wrong claims were mistakenly entered in this application by the USPTO. The claims were confused by the USPTO with the claims of co-pending Application No. 10/613,410 ('410 App.). Accordingly, Applicants are amending the claims in this application with the claims as originally filed therewith by the Applicant. Applicant, for expediency purposes, is treating the pending claims as if the claims entered by the USPTO
- 10 were the claims actually filed. Accordingly, Applicant is canceling claims 1-42 and adding new claims 43-64.

- Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and seeks early allowance thereof. If for any reason, the Examiner is unable to allow the application in the next Office Action and believes that an interview would be
- 15 helpful to resolve any remaining issues, he is respectfully requested to contact the attorney on record, James L. Katz, at (312) 321-7739.

Respectfully submitted,

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